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1. DURING FINAL BRIEFING TODAY IDOWU STATED PREFERENCE FOR 30-DAY PROGRAM BECAUSE OF COMMITMENTS IN U.K. AND FRANCE SCHEDULED AFTER U.S. PROGRAM. RE REFTEL PROGRAM SUGGESTION (A), HE WISHES INTERVIEW HIGH-RANKING STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL CONCERNED WITH AFRICAN AFFAIRS.

2. AN ADDITIONAL OBJECTIVE WHEN MEETING WITH JOURNALISTS WILL BE TO DISCUSS SYSTEM OF CORRESPONDENTS AND HOW CORRESPONDENT NETWORKS ARE OPERATED. TIMES INTERNATIONAL PLANS TO PLACE CORRESPONDENTS IN U.S. AND ELSEWHERE IN AFRICA.

3. IDOWU WILLING TO SPEAK TO AMERICAN AUDIENCES ON "POLITICAL OR ECONOMIC SITUATION AND NEWSPAPER INDUSTRY IN NIGERIA."

4. DIETARY NOTE: VISITOR PREFERS PLENTY OF FRESH FRUITS, PARTICULARLY BANANAS AND PINEAPPLES. PREFERS NO RPT NO SWEETS.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE PROGRAM AGENCY ASSISTING VISITOR PURCHASE GOOD ALL-WEATHER COAT AT START OF WASHINGTON PROGRAM.

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